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## Intimations

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Highest open air temperature on the 18th 51  
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**F. G. FROE,**  
*First Assistant.*

**Hongkong Observatory, March 16, 1896.**

**Temperature.**

*(Taken at Messrs Salomons & Co.'s  
 Premises, Queen's Road.)*

**HONGKONG, March 16, 1896.**

<b>BAROMETER</b> —	9 A.M.	30.94
Do.	1 P.M.	30.89
Do.	4 P.M.	30.88
<b>THERMOMETER</b> —	9 A.M.	82
Do.	1 P.M.	83
Do.	4 P.M.	82
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	81
Do.	Do.	80
Do.	Do.	82
Do.	Maximum	83
Do.	Minimum	69

No Minimum overnight.







## Intimations.

## THE CHINA REVIEW.

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THIS Review, which was intended to meet the wants of many students of Chinese literature, has reached its twenty-first volume. The Review is published in the month of March, and about which every intelligent person connected with China or Japan is desirous of acquiring trustworthy information. It includes many interesting notes and original papers on the Arts, Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Natural History, Antiquities, and Social Manners and Customs, etc., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, and the Far East generally. Recently a new departure has been taken, and the Review now gives papers on Trade, Commerce, and Descriptive Notes, written by well-known writers. It was thought that by extending the scope of the Review in this direction, the Magazine would be made more generally useful.

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The Notes and Queries are still continued, and form an important means of obtaining from and diffusing among students knowledge on obscure points.

The Correspondents' column also affords further and greater facilities for the interchange of views and discussion of various topics.

Original contributors in Chinese, Latin, or any of the Modern Languages are received. The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, the Imperial Customs, and Hongkong Services, and also by the Missionary bodies amongst whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is carefully cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are Drs. Chalmers, Legge, Bretschneider, and Hirth, Professor Ege, and Messrs. Balfour, Watson, Stead, Phillips, MacIntyre, Groot, Jamieson, Faber, Kopsch, Parker, Playfair, Giles, Fison, and Taylor. Notes and Queries are indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

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<b>Steamers.</b>								
Active	3	Storm	Dan.	str.	355	Mar. 15	A. R. Marty	
Anker Head	3	Motyer	Brit.	str.	1236	Mar. 12	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	Hohow
Ast	3	Fugomi	Brit.	str.	591	Mar. 13	A. R. Marty	
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Elktra	3	Lee	Brit.	str.	3003	Feb. 20	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	Vancouver, B.C.
Empress of Japan	3	Gullickson	Norw.	str.	719	Mar. 14	Chinchee	Bangkok
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Lydholm	3	Thomson	Brit.	str.	1882	Mar. 8	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	
Martha	3	Schupp	Ger.	str.	1410	Feb. 9		
Menelaus	3	Towell	Mar.	str.	1779	Mar. 13	Butterfield & Swire	
Ocampo	3	Hawkins	Brit.	str.	1311	Mar. 11	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	
Oroon	3	Hancock	Brit.	str.	1321	Mar. 12	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	
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Coloma	3	Noyes	Brit.	bgo.	822	Mar. 9	Captain	
Emerald	3	Norris	Brit.	str.	130	Mar. 9	Captain	
Highland	3	Lumant	Brit.	bgo.	408	Mar. 11	Gilman & Co.	
Highland	3	Dermody	Brit.	bgo.	935	Jan. 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Ivan	3	Lowell	Amer.	sh.	1181	Feb. 13	Master	
Tau O'Shaunor	3	Peabody	Amer.	sh.	1522	Feb. 17	Captain	
Wandering Jew	3	Nichols	Amer.	sh.	1650	Sept. 15	Captain	

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Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Zeolus	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Robert L. Groome	Singapore
Albatross	deep-sea vessel	1709	12	3140	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Canton
Archer	cruiser 2nd class	1779	16	2200	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Canton
Centurion	twin-screw battle ship	10,500	41	13,000	Captain Spencer H. Logie	Hongkong
Defender	deep-sea vessel	1149	16	1400	Commander A. C. Galloway	Shanghai
Osprey	twin-screw cruiser 1st class	7350	16	10,000	Captain William H. Henderson	Yokohama
Zeal	g-b. 3rd class coast defence	363	9	340	Lieut.-Com. H. J. D. Laxton	Hankow
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	160	4	460	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Mand	Hankow
Hummer	storeship	1600	34	830	Captain Edward W. Wiley	Hongkong
Imperialist	armoured cruiser	7650	9	1050	Commander R. O. Sparkes	Tientsin
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	6500	34	8,500	Captain H. B. Long	Hongkong
Narcissus	armoured cruiser	750	19	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. J. D. Laxton	Singapore
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. Henry Adair	On a cruise
Pique	cruiser	3600	21	7000	Capt. Henry O. Bigge	Yokohama
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. Y. de Horsey	Amoy
Porpoise	cruiser 3rd class	1779	16	2200	Commander F. R. Kelly	Changhai
Rainbow	cruiser	710	10	1200	Captain Wm. O. Forayth	Changhai
Redpoll	gunboat 1st class	805	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Cotterworth	Newchwang
Spartan	gunboat 1st class	805	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Newchwang
Swift	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Alfred L. Wainole	Shanghai
Tamar	gunboat 2nd class	755	8	1010	Commander R. K. McAlpine	Hongkong
Tweed	gunboat 2nd class	755	8	1010	Commander R. K. McAlpine	Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser	6000	34	8500	Captain John S. Hallifax	Hongkong
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	6137	19	1450	Commander Boyes	Hongkong
Wiven	coast-defence ship, armoured	2765	12	1450		Hongkong

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Admiral Korniloff	Russian cruiser	4850	32	6000	Captain Kitchanovitch	Kobe
Admiral Nakhimov	Russian cruiser	7751	32	9500	Captain Kacharinovitch	Nagasaki
Albatross	Russian cruiser	5620	32	7300	Captain Paroskov	Nagasaki
Albatross	Russian cruiser	4330	30	8000	Captain Bontst	Hongkong
Arconia	German cruiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Sarnow	Nagasaki
Aspie	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Jourmet	Bangkok
Bayard	French flag ship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Hongkong
Bourquais-Beaupré	Portuguese sloop	1360	14	1000	Captain Lezard	Manila
Bengo	Portuguese sloop	542	5	1000	Captain Lezard	Manila
Bouba	Russian sloop	1360	14	1000	Captain Lezard	Manila
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3290	23	4400	Capt. Enrique Sanlola	Yokohama
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	4040	32	6600	Capt. Coffin	Nagasaki
Comete	French gunboat	435	4	500	Capt. Mandet	Nagasaki
Concord	U. S. cruiser	1700	15	3400	Captain Craig	Nagasaki
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	1200	15	5400	Commander John Stark Newel	Nagasaki
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Capt. Duclio	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	3635	19	4800	Commander R. P. de Bonarot	Manila
Duguay Trouin	French cruiser	2350	23	2700	Captain Bayle	Nagasaki
Forfait	Russian gunboat	400	9	3500	Captain Delort	Nagasaki
Gaidamak	Spanish gun-vessel	1200	16	1300	Capt. Ramon Rochiquet Freijillo	Kobe
General Alava	Russian gunboat	1400	16	1300	Capt. Bouchard	Shanghai
Grenatichy	Russian gunboat	450	4	340	Capt. Lieut. Ingenseld	Canton
Ilia	Russian gunboat	4800	32	8000	Capt. Focklerbach	Nagasaki
Imperator Nicolai I.	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Capt. von Drenky	Nagasaki
Italy	French cruiser	4380	22	8000	Captain Rivet	Nagasaki
Kaiser	German flag ship	7877	16	—	Captain Jaschke	Nagasaki
Korietz	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindstrom	Nagasaki
Korcoran	Russian sloop	1640	8	2800	Capt. Brinkmann	Nagasaki
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1360	14	1000	Capt. Bokomirovitch	Nagasaki
Latvia	French gunboat	540	6	500	Lieutenant Ganchet	Salmon
Manila	U. S. cruiser	1050	16	1600	Lieut.-Com. Gueydon	Tientsin
Mandarin	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Commander Bouton	Changhai
Manila	Russian sloop	1200	9	1400	Commander Pottapobek	Nagasaki
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	8	850	Commander J. J. Read	Yokohama
Olympia	U. S. flag ship	1690	12	2500	Captain Barst	Nagasaki
Ovalvay	Russian gunboat	1600	33	8000	Captain Rodionoff	Nagasaki
Panama	Russian cruiser	1600	33	8000	Lieut.-Com. Emory	Nagasaki
Petrel	U. S. gunboat	884	6	650	Lieut. Commander Vidal	Kiaoh Dock
Pluvier	French gunboat	545	8	450	Commander J. de Waziers	Kiaoh Dock
Prinzess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4490	22	8000	Commander J. de Waziers	Kiaoh Dock
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Commander J. de Waziers	Kiaoh Dock
Rurik	Russian 1st class cruiser	10,223	20	15,250	Captain Barst	Nagasaki
Silach	Russian gunboat	850	13	1120	Captain Astrucoff	Nagasaki
Silach	Russian gunboat	2100	14	2100	Captain Harbing	Nagasaki
Sophia	German cruiser	4650	21	2400	Commander Constella	Nagasaki
Strophomen	French cruiser	480	4	426	Commander Constella	Nagasaki
Viper	U. S. gunboat	1700	16	3900	Captain Lebedeff	Nagasaki
Yorktown	U. S. gunboat	1700	16	3900	Captain Lebedeff	Nagasaki
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1590	12	1470	Captain Lebedeff	Nagasaki

## HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

'PAINTS, TOO, I BELIEVE.'

There is a well-known story of how, when an admirer was exhibiting to many guests of the late President of the Academy, his knowledge of language, his after-dinner oratory, his sculpture—Mr. Whistler interjected 'Paints too, I believe.' Among those many guests who did not claim that of literature, yet how many men who had not left home with other distinctions, would have hastened to collect into a book such elaborate and ornate addresses on art as he was in the habit of delivering to the Academy? Whistler was a man for whom that much-abused word Art had a significance not bounded by the limits of the branches in which he excelled; and his death closes a palace of art where literature and music met their sister-arts in a fellowship of excellence.

A NEW LIFE-BUY. A German naval captain has invented a new life-buy. It consists of a large cork ring capable of floating three persons, and provided with a kind of net which offers a support to their feet. Its principle feature, however, is that it is fitted with an electric light, fed by a small accumulator which can be readily changed without dismantling it, from the electric plant with which most large vessels are now fitted. It will have sufficient electricity to keep the lamp alight for 24 hours. Underneath the buoy is a receptacle containing a small supply of provisions and water, an alarm-whistle and a switch for turning off the electricity in daylight.

Dr. G. Sterling Ryerson, Professor of Ophthalmology in Trinity Medical College, Toronto, says: Myopia being essentially due to abuse of the eye, one is constantly obliged to say 'don't' to patients. It occurs to me that it might be useful to put these prohibitory rules in aphoristic form:

1. Don't read in railway trains or in vehicles in motion.
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4. Don't read by a flickering gaslight or candlelight.
5. Don't read books printed on thin paper.
6. Don't read books which have no space between the lines.
7. Don't read for more than 60 minutes without stopping, whether the eyes are tired or not.
8. Don't hold the reading close to the eyes.
9. Don't study at night, but in the morning, when you are fresh.
10. Don't select your own glasses at the outset.



## Intimations.

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

報日字華  
(Wah Tat Yat Po).

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The General Local Rates for Hongkong, China and Treaty Ports (Canton excepted) are:

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1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day in Town (Ship Street to Bonham Strand West, up to level of Robinson Road) at 8 a.m. 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m. In the suburbs, 9 a.m., noon, 5 p.m., unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

3. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed, if the nature of the contents be so stated to the Postmaster General, as to any necessary measure, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

The Post Office declines all responsibility for Unregistered Letters containing Receipts, Notes, or Jewellery and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO REQUISITION into alleged losses of such letters.

It is forbidden to insert in ordinary or Registered Correspondence (a) Current Coin (b) Articles liable to Customs Duty.

## Parcel Post to the United Kingdom.

Parcels not exceeding 11 lbs. in weight are received in Hongkong for transmission to the United Kingdom by P. & O. Packet and Gibraltar. No parcel is sent with the Overland Mail via Brindisi. Parcels therefore arrive in London about eight days later than the Mail. Parcels may be sealed, but any parcel, even though sealed, is liable to be opened for examination.

Parcels must be posted in Hongkong before 3 p.m. on the day before the departure of the Mail. Those arriving from the Coast, &c., after this hour are kept for the following P. & O. Mail.

The Postage is 40 cents per lb., and 20 cents each succeeding lb. or fraction of a lb., which includes Registration fee, and must be prepaid in stamps. No further charge is made in the United Kingdom except for Customs dues. No parcel must be more than 3 feet 6 inches in length, or 5 feet in greatest length and girth combined. A receipt is given for each Parcel.

The sender must fill up a form of Customs Declaration, which can be obtained free at each Post Office. No parcel can be accepted till this is completely and accurately filled. The only articles ordinarily sent from China, which are liable to duty are Tea and Tobacco.

Dangerous or perishable goods, articles likely to injure the Mails, Liquids (unless securely packed) or parcels easily crushed, such as hand-boxes, are prohibited. No Parcel can be received if its value exceeds \$500. A Parcel may contain a letter to the same address as that of the Parcel itself, or another Parcel to the same address. No other enclosures are allowed.

With regard to inward Parcels, addresses are requested to observe that the Parcel Mail is not opened until the ordinary distribution of letters, &c., is finished. The postage on Parcels at home is 10¢ per lb., the Regulations are generally similar to the above, and the Parcels are sent out via Gibraltar.

## Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, and within a year at the most from the date of Posting.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal Administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handkerchiefs, bonnet, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition. Nor on account of alleged losses of the Contents of Registered covers which have reached their destinations. Nor on account of any article for which the addressee has signed a receipt.

## Misent or Delayed Correspondence.

When correspondence has been misent or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addressee need do is to note on the cover, Sent to \_\_\_\_\_, or Received at 7 p.m., or as the case may be, and forward it, without any other writing whatever, to the Postmaster General. This action should be taken the first time the mistake occurs; it is a mistake to let such matters pass for fear of giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the end.

1. Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, Patterns, Bills, Almanacs, &c., for addresses in Hongkong or the Ports of China, in batches of not less than ten of uniform size and weight may be sent to the Post Office unsealed, the postage, at the rate of one cent each, being paid in cash or charged to the sender's account. Special accounts may be opened with non-boxholders for the delivery of considerable numbers of such articles.

2. Such covers, when addressed to places other than Hongkong or China, must be prepaid two cents each in stamps as heretofore.

3. Circulars, &c., must not exceed 2 ounces each in weight. Patterns, Almanacs, &c., must not exceed 8 ounces each in weight. Heavier articles will be charged ordinary rates.

4. Envelopes containing Patterns, &c., may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as to any necessary measure, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be enclosed in pattern packets.

5. Addresses must be complete. That is to say, on such covers as are not addressed to heads of houses the addressee's residence or place of business must be added. Incompletely addressed covers will be returned to the sender for address.

## Money Orders.

(Office Hours (Sundays and holidays excepted) 10 to 4, Saturdays 10 to 1, but the office open from 10 to 5 on the working day before any mail for Europe, which leaves at noon.)

Money orders cannot be issued or cashed on mail mornings, when closing mails for Europe, until noon.

1. Money Orders are issued at Hongkong and Shanghai at current rates of exchange on the following countries and places:—

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China Ports (Hankow, Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Hankow, and Shanghai).

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British India (Bombay, Calcutta, and the Agencies of the Indian Post Office in the Persian Gulf).

Japan Ports (Nagasaki, Osaka, Yokohama, Kobe, Kio, Yokohama and Hakodate).

New South Wales.

New Zealand.

British North Borneo.

Queensland.

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Chili.

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Denmark West Indies.

Egypt.

France, with Algeria.

German Empire (including Holland and the Cameroons).

Holland.

Italy (with Agencies at Tripoli, Assab and Massawa).

Norway.

Orange Free State.

Portugal (including Madeira and the Azores).

Roumania.

Sweden.

Switzerland.

Transvaal.

Tunisia.

Foreign Cities and Towns:—

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Salonica.

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